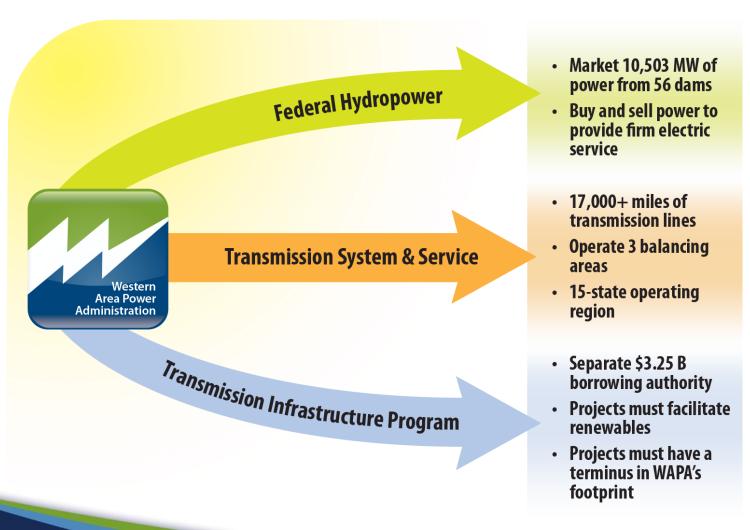
WAPA's position on industry trends and changes

Nebraska customer tour
Spring 2018

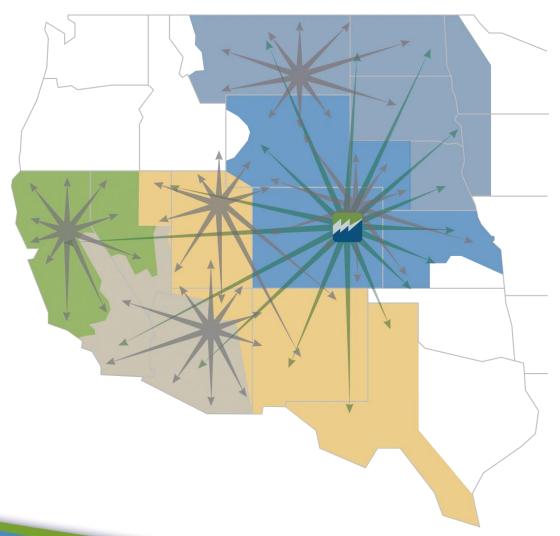
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WAPA: Who we are



WAPA: Where we are

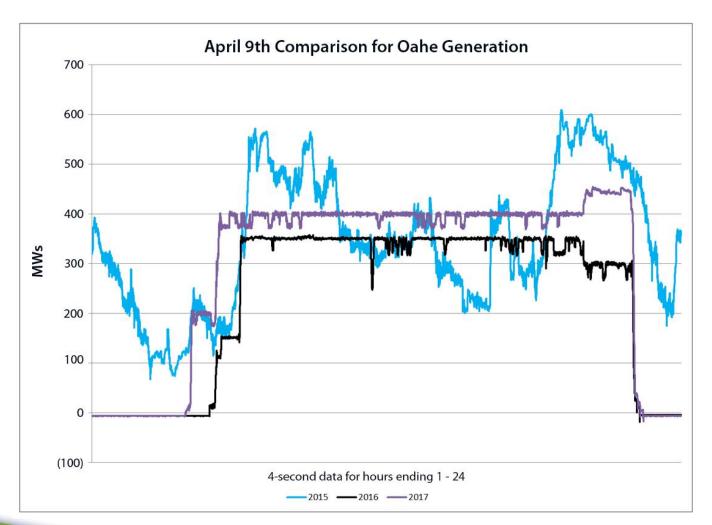


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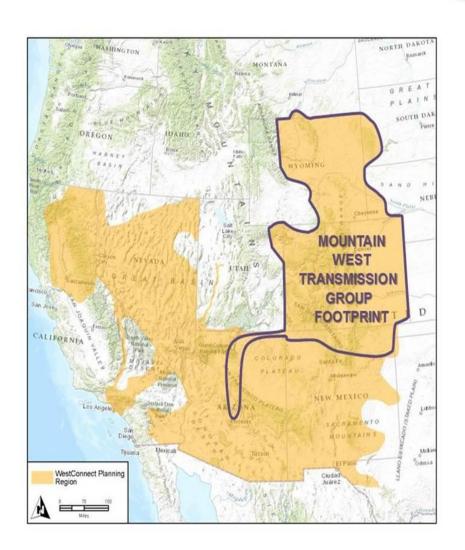
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Mountain West

- Formed 2013
- **Eight participants**
- **Evaluated options**
- 2018 pursued joining SPP
- Xcel Energy pulled out
- Further evaluating options



Change brings challenges

- Aging infrastructure
- Increased regulation
- Intermittent resources
- Decreased hydro production
- More customer-side resources
- Changing markets
- Security



Fundamental change

The challenge for the utility of today is not only what is real but what is perceived as real.





Societal changes









Radical thoughts ...



The kilowatt-hour is dead



Time-of-purchase vs. time-of-use



All-you-can-eat energy

Economic challenge

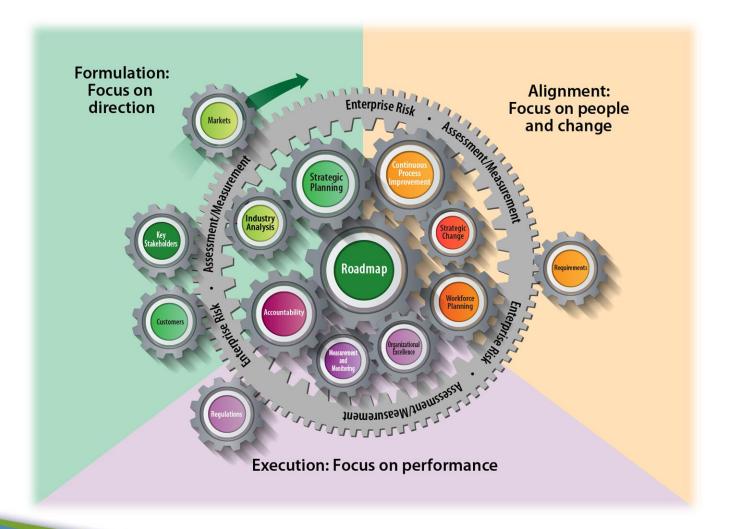
How can we manage in a Twitter-centric world?



The future nexus



What are we doing about it?





Shift in strategic thinking

- Broader perspective
- Data-driven decisions
- Industry impacts to customers



Lifecycle considerations





Increasing requirements

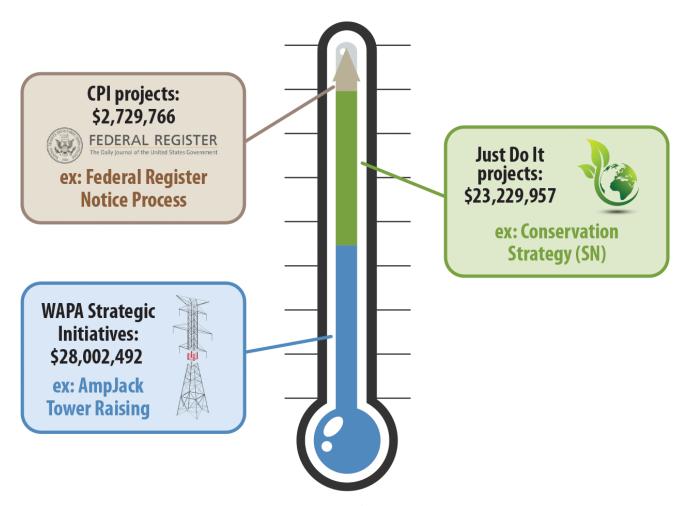
- Investments in Security
- **NERC** requirements
 - CIP version 5
 - Audits, mock audits
 - Alerts
 - Standards
 - FAC-003 & FAC-008
 - NATF peer reviews
- FITARA
- FISMA modernization
- **OMB Circular A130**

- New endangered species
- DHS binding operational directives
- OSHA requirements
 - Fall Protection 100% attachment
 - Transient over-voltage compliance
- Formalized grounding cable procedures
- **GPR** monitor for t-lines





Cost containment



WAPA cost savings and avoidance: \$50,000,000+ as of Sept. 30, 2017



Key takeaways

Focus on value and business excellence. Be aware of industry trends and changes. Continue delivering on mission.





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